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January 15th, 1918

Mr. Francis Rawle,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Mr. Rawle:

I remember with very much interest and pleasure the conversation which I had in Philadelphia with you and am particularly pleased that you have kept me sufficiently in mind to send me a copy of your article in the Harvard Graduates' Magazine. It has just arrived and I have not yet had time to read it, but will do so almost immediately and anticipate much pleasure. I expect to be in Philadelphia next month when I am to speak at the Annual University Day at the University of Pennsylvania.

With kind regards, I am,

Yours sincerely,

President.

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April 11th, 1918

Mr. F. Rawle,

1004 West End Trust Building,

Philadelphia, Pa.

My dear Mr. Rawle:

It was with great pleasure that I received your letter this morning. Mr. Lash had written to me a few days ago with regard to the possibility of our giving an honorary degree to Owen Wister. Of course he is very well known in Canada, and I am sure from what you say with regard to him he thoroughly deserves the degree. This year, however, I am afraid it is too late to consider his name. Our statutory time for granting degrees at this Commencement was the meeting of the Senate which was held last week. At that time the Senate (I may say this to you privately) resolved to offer the degree to the Honourable Mr. Root as representing the United States, and I am glad also that Mr. Root has signified his intention of being present to accept the degree on that occasion.

I will, however, keep your letter by me and at the next meeting of the Committee on Honorary Degrees will bring Mr. Wister's name forward so that it may be duly and carefully considered. The str feeling of friendship towards the United States will I know induce the

members of the Senate to show honour to leading Americans from time to time. I shall always be glad to hear from you.

With kind regards, I am,

Yours sincerely,

President.